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FOR: METHOD FOR TRANSFORMING PLANT, THE RESULTANT

PLANT AND GENES THEREOF

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified application prior to examination as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Kindly amend claims 3, 5-10 and 13-15 to read as follows:

- 3. The method according to claim 1, wherein the region of a factor relating to the poly (A) addition of the mRNA is a base sequence having AATAAA like sequence.
- 5. The method according to claim 1, wherein the modification of base sequence in the region of a factor relating to the poly (A) addition of the mRNA is performed based on a codon usage of the useful higher plant to be transformed.
- 6. The method according to claim 1, wherein the modification of base sequence is performed so that the region rich in base G and base T is reduced.
- 7. The method according to claim 1, wherein the modification of base sequence comprises small difference between base G and base C covering throughout the region of gene to be introduced.